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Dear Examiner Dunwoody:

Attached is a revised amendment per our telephone conversation of September 20, 2007 that is being mailed to the Patent Office on this same date. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Remy J. VanOphem

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Applicant: Robert J. Slais, Johnny R. Blankenship & Chhotubhai N. Patel
Filed: May 6, 2004
Title: Dual-Plane Seal for Fluid-Tight Conduit Connection

Art Unit: 3679
Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

Docket No.: FTP163R US

Revised Reply to Office Action and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

To highlight the distinction of the above referenced invention over the prior art as interpreted by the Examiner in the Office Action of May 24, 2007, Paper No. 20070517, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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| Amendments to the Claims begin on page: | 2 |
| Status of Claims & Support for Claim Changes: | 5 |
| Remarks begin on page: | 10 |